

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, EC  
SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS

1. JAIME ROLDOS OF THE CONCENTRATION OF POPULAR FORCES/  
POPULAR DEMOCRACY TICKET HAS WON AN IMPRESSIVE VICTORY IN THE  
FIRST ROUND OF PRESIDENTIAL VOTING ON SUNDAY. ROLDOS IS  
POLLING OVER 32 PERCENT WITH ABOUT 65 PERCENT OF THE VOTES REPORTED.  
AT THE MOMENT, NATIONAL CONSTITUTIONALIST FRONT CANDIDATE SIXTO  
DURAN-BALLEN AND LIBERAL RAUL CLEMENTE HUERTA ARE RUNNING ALMOST  
DEAD EVEN FOR THE RUN-OFF SPOT AGAINST ROLDOS WITH ABOUT  
500,000 VOTES STILL TO COME.

2. RESULTS AS OF 4:30 A.M. AS REPORTED BY PRESIDENTIAL PRESS  
OFFICE:  
ROLDOS 390.480 32 PERCENT  
DURAN 262.453 21 PERCENT  
HUERTO 260.9096 21 PERCENT  
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BORJA (DL) 141.713 12 PERCENT  
CALDERON (FRA) 111.723 8 PERCENT  
MAUGE 59,379 5 PERCENT

3. ELECTION WAS CARRIED OUT SMOOTHLY AND WITH ONLY A FEW  
MINOR ALTERCATIONS. ALTHOUGH THERE WERE SOME SCATTERED  
PROBLEMS, NONE OF THE LOSERS HAS ACCUSED THE AUTHORITIES

OF FRAUD AND ARE UNLIKELY TO DO SO. ABOUT 1.8 MILLION OR  
AN ESTIMATED 85 PERCENT OF THOSE ELIGIBLE WENT TO THE POLLS.

4. ROLDOS WIN IS ATTRIBUTED TO AN UNUSUALLY HEAVY VOTE  
FOR HIS TICKET IN THE SIERRA TO GO WITH HIS OVERWHELMING  
MARGIN IN GUAYAQUIL OVER HIS TWO CLOSEST COMPETITORS. FULLER  
ANALYSIS FOLLOWS, ALTHOUGH HUERTA-DURAN CONTEST IS SO  
CLOSE THAT IT MAY NOT BE DETERMINED BY THE END OF TODAY.  
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